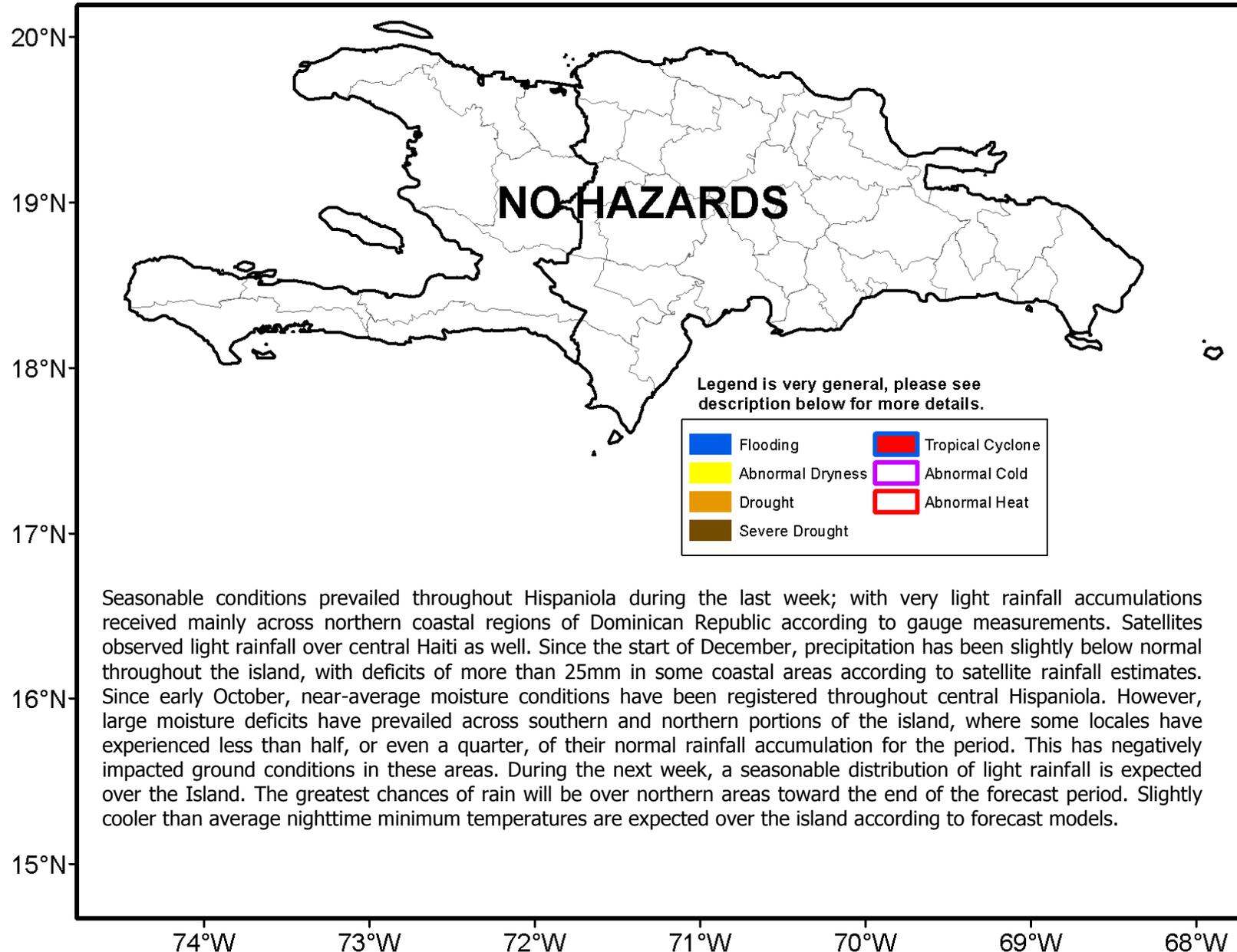




Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook January 10 – 16, 2019

- A few light showers continued over Hispaniola during the first week of 2019



Seasonable conditions prevailed throughout Hispaniola during the last week; with very light rainfall accumulations received mainly across northern coastal regions of Dominican Republic according to gauge measurements. Satellites observed light rainfall over central Haiti as well. Since the start of December, precipitation has been slightly below normal throughout the island, with deficits of more than 25mm in some coastal areas according to satellite rainfall estimates. Since early October, near-average moisture conditions have been registered throughout central Hispaniola. However, large moisture deficits have prevailed across southern and northern portions of the island, where some locales have experienced less than half, or even a quarter, of their normal rainfall accumulation for the period. This has negatively impacted ground conditions in these areas. During the next week, a seasonable distribution of light rainfall is expected over the Island. The greatest chances of rain will be over northern areas toward the end of the forecast period. Slightly cooler than average nighttime minimum temperatures are expected over the island according to forecast models.